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Mrs. Effa Manley
71 Crawford Street
Newark, N. J.

Dear Mrs. Manley:

Your letter to Eddie Gottlieb received. Please be advised that he is out of town at present and is not expected back until the end of this week, at which time I'll have him contact you immediately.

Regarding the matters you discuss, I'd suggest that you hold them up somehow, and then take them up with him when he returns. In the meantime you can handle whatever comes up along the line of your thoughts personally.

Contrary to what you say about Eddie's attitude, I wish to inform you that he has hopes of putting this season's ~~of~~ Negro Baseball over in the best possible way, despite expected handicaps. It is during difficult times that we must plug all the harder, and that's definitely his intentions.

Of course, everything depends on what may develop, but we must still go ahead with our plans and hope for the best. Mr. Bolden is negotiating with players and other matters, as he handled before, and has already received his certificate from ODT authorizing the obtaining of gas. I believe that the amount is not too great, ~~but~~ will be sufficient to get by fairly well, by eliminating unnecessary and useless trips. In other words, we'll just have to be carefull.

I'd suggest that you go ahead and make preparations for the season, as all other teams are doing, and trust that nothing ~~serious~~ interferes.

Best wishes and regards.

~~Sincerely,~~

MARTY WEINTRAUB, Sect'y.